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SUBJECT: AP CALLED IN ON LEDDINGTON CASE

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1. FRANK CREPEAU, ACTING AP BUREAU CHIEF, CALLED IN SEP. 26 BY MFA PRESS SECTION AND READ STATEMENT ON LEDDINGTON CASE SIMILAR TO BUBNOV PRESENTATION TO EMBASSY SEP. 25 (REFTEL), ACCUSING LEDDINGTON OF PRE-ARRANGED, PROVOCATIVE REPORTING, VIOLATING TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND OTHER ACTION INCOMPATIBLE WITH JOURNALIST'S

PROPER BEHAVIOR.

2. N.T. KHUDIN, WHO IDENTIFIED SELF AS QTE JUST A REPRESENTATIVE OF MFA PRESS SECTION, UNQTE ALTHOUGH NOMINALLY FIRST SECRETARY FOR GERMAN CORRESPONDENTS AND PRESS SPOKESMAN AT YAKIR-KRASIN TRIAL, SAID BOTH CREPEAU AND LEDDINGTON QTE SHOULD PONDER STATEMENT. UNQTE NO THREAT OR HINT OF REPRISAL WAS MADE.

3. CREPEAU DENIED ACCUSATIONS, REQUESTED RETURN OF FILM TAKEN FROM LEDDINGTON AND ASKED FOR SPECIFICS
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ABOUT ADDITIONAL KHUDIN ALLEGATIONS OF PREVIOUS NON-

JOURNALISTIC LEDDINGTON BEHAVIOR, AS AT JAPAN AIR
LINES CRASH LAST YEAR. KHUDIN SAID HE WAS NOT
PREPARED TO DISCUSS MATTERS. TWENTY-MINUTE MEETING
CONDUCTED IN BUSINESS-LIKE ATMOSPHERE.
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